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Re: Docket No. 99P-0301/CP 1

Dear Dr. Hiller:

This letter is in response to your citizen petition dated February 16, 1999, and filed February 22, 1999, requesting that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) amend the current common or usual name regulation for peanut spread (21 CFR 102.23) to remove the requirements for added vitamins, minerals, and protein.

In accordance with 21 CFR 10.30(e)(2), this letter is to advise you that we have not been able to reach a decision on your petition within the first 180 days of its receipt because of other agency priorities and the limited availability of resources.

Sincerely yours,

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